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SUTJBECT: CSCE: ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF MILITARY MOVEMENTS

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REF: (A) USNATO 0155, (B) BONN 0610

BEGIN SUMMARY: NETHERLANDS, UK, BELGIAN AND FRENCH POLADS  
HAVE RETURNED TO ATTACK ON U.S. POSITION AGAINST CSCE MOVEMENTS  
NOTIFICATION CBM, PRESSING U.S. TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL AND  
IMPROVED JUSTIFICATION FOR ITS POSITION IN CONNECTION WITH  
FURTHER POLADS STUDY OF MOVEMENTS. WE SUGGEST APPROACHES IN  
ALLIED CAPITALS, PARTICULARLY BONN AND THE HAGUE TO SOLICIT  
UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORT FOR U.S. POSITION. END SUMMARY.

1. AT JANUARY 15 POLADS MEETING, CHAIRMAN RECALLED THAT  
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DURING LAST WEEK'S SPC AND POLADS CONSULTATIONS ATTENDED  
BY ALLIED CSCE REPS (REF A) WHICH WE ARE REPEATING TO  
INCLUDE ALL ADDRESSEES, SPC CHAIRMAN HAD REMITTED TO POLADS  
QUESTION OF S STUDY OF ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR MILITARY

MOVEMENTS AS A CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURE. HE NOTED NEED TO WORK QUICKLY AND ASKED WHEN NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SUCH A STUDY COULD BE EXPECTED.

2. FRG REP PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF PROCEDURES FOR STUDY JANUARY 22.

3. NETHERLANDS REP, SUPPORTED BY UK, BELGIAN AND FRENCH REPS, MAINTAINED THAT A NEW U.S. CONTRIBUTION GIVING BETTER JUSTIFICATION FOR DROPPING MOVEMENTS FROM CBMS WAS NECESSARY TO PREPARE FURTHER POLADS STUDY, TO CONVINCE ALLIES OF SOUNDNESS OF U.S. POSITION AND TO DEMONSTRATE THIS TO NEUTRALS IN GENEVA. FRENCH REP ADDED THAT EASTERN DELEGATIONS AT CSCE WERE ASKING ABOUT U.S. POSITION WHEN OTHER ALLIES MENTIONED MOVEMENTS, AND PROBLEM WOULD BECOME MORE ACUTE IN DRAFTING EXERCISE. NETHERLANDS REP ASKED WHEN U.S. WOULD OFFER EXPANDED RATIONALE FOR ITS POSITION.

4. U.S. REP REJOINED THAT OUR POSITION, SUGGESTED TACTICS AND JUSTIFICATION FOR THEM HAD BEEN SPELLED OUT IN DETAIL LAST WEEK. HE WOULD REPORT TODAY'S FURTHER DISCUSSION BUT COULD NOT SAY THAT WASHINGTON WOULD FEEL IT NECESSARY TO AMPLIFY RATIONALE WE HAD GIVEN EARLIER.

5. COMMENT: FRG REP'S SUGGESTION THAT POLADS TALK NEXT WEEK MERELY ABOUT HOW TO STUDY MOVEMENTS (CONTRASTED WITH NETHERLANDS, UK AND FRENCH PRESSURE TO GET ON WITH SUBSTANCE) MAY BE A REFLECTION OF GERMAN ASSURANCES TO AMEMBASSY BONN THAT FRG WILL NOT PRESS FOR MOVEMENTS CBM (REF B). IN ADDITION, BELGIAN REP'S APPARENT INTEREST IN DROPPING MOVEMENTS TACITLY (PARA 3, REF A) MAY INDICATE SOME "GIVE" IN BELGIAN POSITION AND WE INTEND TO FOLLOW UP WITH BELGIAN NATO DELEGATION. WE SUGGEST IT COULD BE WORTHWHILE FOR EMBASSIES TO PRESENT IN CAPITALS, PARTICULARLY BONN AND THE HAGUE, THE POSITION AND RATIONALE CONTAINED REF A IN HOPE OF TEMPERING PRESENT NATIONAL POSITIONS AND EASING ALLIED IMPASSE AND ISOLATION OF U.S. NEW BONN INSTRUCTIONS TO FRG POLAD IN TIME FOR JANUARY 22 MEETING WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL.  
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